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29. The method of claim 28 wherein the monitoring comprises monitoring the electrical status comprising voltage of the fuel cell, and wherein the varying comprises reducing a duty cycle of the control signal responsive to the voltage of the fuel cell being below a threshold.

30. The method of claim 28 wherein the generating comprises generating electrical energy using a plurality of fuel cells, and wherein the monitoring comprises monitoring the electrical status comprising average voltage of the fuel cells.

31. The method of claim 28 wherein the generating comprises generating electrical energy using a plurality of fuel cells and the conditioning comprises conditioning using a plurality of switch mode power conditioning circuits associated with respective ones of the fuel cells, and wherein the monitoring comprises monitoring an electrical status of individual ones of the fuel cells and the adjusting comprises adjusting respective ones of the switch mode power conditioning circuits responsive to the monitoring.

32. The method of claim 28 wherein the generating comprises generating electrical energy using a plurality of fuel cells and the conditioning comprises conditioning using a plurality of switch mode power conditioning circuits associated with respective ones of the fuel cells, and wherein the adjusting comprises applying the control signal to the switch mode power conditioning circuits at different moments in time.